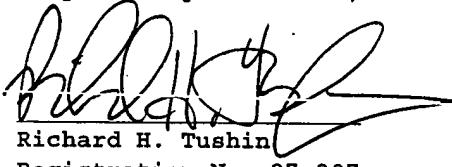


REMARKS

By this Preliminary Amendment the specification has been updated and claims 1-6 have been canceled. Entry is in order.

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